IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) Lever for a valve control of a piston engine, ~~such as~~ comprising a rocker arm, rocker lever or finger lever, with a roller [[(6)]], which is arranged in a roller pocket [[(5)]] formed by a left side part [[(1)]] and a right side part [[(2)]] of the lever and which is rotatably mounted on a support pin [[(7)]] arranged in the lever, ~~characterized in that~~ a width [[(11)]] of the roller pocket [[(5)]] is smaller than a sum of total thicknesses of the left side part [[(1)]] and the right side part [[(2)]] of the lever, wherein the left side part [[(1)]] and [[also]] the right side part [[(2)]] are tapered sufficiently via tapered sections ~~(8, 9, 10, 16)~~ in a region of a bore hole [[(14)]] for holding the support pin [[(7)]], and [[that]] a sum of [[the]] a width [[(12)]] of the left side part [[(1)]] supporting the support pin [[(7)]] and a width [[(13)]] of the right side part [[(2)]] supporting the support pin [[(7)]] is smaller than the width [[(11)]] of the roller pocket [[(5)]].

2. (Currently amended) Lever according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein at least one of the tapered sections ~~(8, 9, 10, 16)~~ in the side parts ~~(1, 2)~~ of the lever is generated by shaping processes.

3. (Currently amended) Lever according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein at least one of the tapered sections ~~(8, 9, 10, 16)~~ in the side parts ~~(1, 2)~~ of the lever is generated by removing material.

4. (Currently amended) Lever according to claim 1, wherein ~~one of claims 1 to 3, characterized in that~~ the tapered sections ~~(8, 10)~~ in the left side part[[(1)]] and in the right side part [[(2)]] are each arranged on an outside or inside ~~(tapered section 9, 16)~~ thereof.

5. (Currently amended) Lever according to claim 1, wherein ~~one of claims 1 to 4, characterized in that~~ the support pin [[(7)]] has ~~means for rotational and/or positional locking, preferably~~ a locking part [[(15),]] in [[the]] a region of at least one of the outer tapered sections ~~(8, 16)~~ for at least one of rotational or positional locking.

6. (Currently amended) Lever according to claim 1, wherein ~~one of claims 1 to 4, characterized in that~~ one of the side parts [[(1)]] has an outer tapered section ~~(8 or 16)~~, while the tapered section ~~(9 or 10)~~ on the other side part [[(2)]] faces towards the roller pocket [[(5)]].